

WAGER ON TIME WAR WILL LAST

Lloyd's Offer Odds Ten to One
Conflict Over End of Next
Year; Gamble on Bulgar-
ian King's Crown

SANTA CLAUS FOR BRITISH SOLDIERS

Relief Societies Planning to Make
Tommies Comfortable; Queen
to Send Christmas Pres-
ents to Trenches

(U. P. correspondence.)
LONDON, Nov. 2.—(By mail.)—
Lloyd's today is offering the risk of 3
to 1 that Ferdinand, king of Bulgaria,
will not be on his throne June 1, 1916.
The risk started at 20 to 1, but the
turn of affairs in the Balkans drove it
down.

Most persons who have taken out
policies on the Bulgarian's head are
Englishmen with business interests in
the Balkans and Bulgaria. Their
losses will be great if Ferdinand re-
tains his throne and they are prepar-
ing for the minimum loss.

On the duration of the war Lloyd's
offers 19 to 1 that it will not last be-
yond December, 1916. A new risk
something like their eastern insurance
against rain on new bonnets is the
one wherein the soldier bets with
Lloyd's that he will not be killed.
This risk, 8 to 1 against death, is said
to be heavily patronized.

(U. P. correspondence.)
LONDON, Oct. 22.—(By mail.)—The
armies in northern France are prepar-
ing for another winter campaign. Re-
lief societies in England are taking
extraordinary precautions to see that
the trench dwellers do not endure
hardships such as they suffered last
year.

Within two months, every mile of
British and Belgian trench will have
been equipped with square, boxlike
charcoal and coke trench heaters, es-
pecially made and costing \$500 per
trench mile. It is estimated that each
\$500 contributed will warm three thou-
sand men. About four thousand of
these heaters already have been
shipped to the Belgian trenches.

Trench pumps will dry out flooded
trenches. Trench kitchens and trench
cooking supplies also will be in evi-
dence. The frozen feet, rheumatism,
ague and fevers that sent thousands of
men from the trenches to hospitals a
year ago will thus be avoided.

Every fourth woman in Britain be-
long to some relief society, most of
whom members are knitting stock-
ings, mufflers and heavy garments for
the Tommies and their Belgian and
French allies.

Several societies and newspapers
have started a Christmas pudding cam-
paign for the soldiers. One news-
paper got \$10,000 the first two weeks.
No Tommy shall miss his Christmas
pudding, the campaigners declare.
Officers' wives whose husbands are
serving in the Dardanelles have a so-
ciety for sending Christmas cheer to
the men there.

Queen Mary will provide every sol-
dier and sailor with a Christmas gift.
This honor last year fell to Princess
Mary, who distributed over a million
handsomely decorated metal boxes
filled with food and useful articles.
The increased land and sea forces will
make Queen Mary's a more difficult
and expensive task.

ORGANIZE GIRLS' CLUB AT FRIEND SCHOOL.

Mrs. Martin Coryell accompanied
County Superintendent Shepard to the
Friend school yesterday and organized
a girls' club with some eight initial
members. The Friend school is in
charge of Mr. and Mrs. Guy M. Wood
and is said to be one of the most su-
perior of all the excellent rural schools
in Grady county. The enrollment is
heavy, over 70, and the advance of the
pupils seems, Mr. Shepard says, most
satisfactory. The physical training, as
well as the mental advancement of the
pupils is being well looked after. The
school house, all class rooms and hall-
ways are kept in the most sanitary
possible condition and a large basket
ball court has been provided in the
play grounds.

RESERVE BANK OFFICIALS OF DISTRICT RE-ELECTED.

By United Press.
DALLAS, Dec. 1.—At a meeting to-
day John F. Scott of Houston was re-
elected class A director of the Dallas
federal reserve bank and Frank Kell
of Wichita Falls was re-elected class
B director.

JEALOUS HUSBAND SHOOT.

By United Press.
GALVESTON, Dec. 1.—Jacob O'Don-
nell, proprietor of the Terminal hotel
here, today shot and seriously
wounded his wife and then killed him-
self in a fit of jealousy.

CLEARING CALENDAR OF COURT

Judge Davenport of the county
court is making rapid strides in the
matter of clearing the docket of the
present term of court. Today finishes
up the civil docket and the trial of the
criminal docket will be taken up to-
morrow morning. The criminal docket
is a heavy one and Judge Davenport
has set the docket so that the business
will be handled in the most expedi-
tious manner possible. As a sample
of this tomorrow's setting of the
docket carries with it eight cases in
which the state has announced ready
for trial. This heavy setting of cases
has been made in order that the jury
cases may be disposed of with as little
delay as possible.

This morning the jury in the cotton
picking case—J. E. Thompson vs. Jo
Boven—the jury returned in a verdict
for the plaintiff in the sum of forty-
nine dollars and interest, together with
accrued costs. Plaintiff sued for fifty
dollars. The jury reached a verdict at
9:30 last night, but by agreement did
not return the same into open court
until this morning.

The matter of M. J. Stepp vs. J. A.
Guthrie was settled by the defendant
agreeing, through his attorneys, that
plaintiff should take judgment for the
amount of the balance due and levy
upon and sell the sufficient property
to satisfy the claim.

W. W. Wells vs. E. M. Yates will be
called for trial this afternoon and dis-
posed of in event a number of wit-
nesses summoned may arrive in Chick-
asha on the afternoon train.

L. W. Jones vs. C. R. I. & P. Ry. Co.
has been re-set for December 16, as
has the matter of Phillips vs. Hef-
facker. The matter of McKenna vs.
Dowdy-McDonald Grocery company
was also reset for December 10. This
action was made necessary on account
of the absence of one of the material
witnesses for the defense.

BOLD PLAN ALLEGED

By United Press.
CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 1.—An at-
tempt upon the lives of President
Wilson and Secretary Garrison was
proposed with liquid fire, according to
information alleged to have been ob-
tained by County Prosecutor Loeber
from E. W. Ritter, a chemist who is
under arrest here, it was learned this
afternoon.

The court stenographer's record
makes Ritter to say that the plan was
suggested by "two men high in offi-
cial life," but Ritter denies that he
made the statement. He admits that
he is the inventor of the original liquid
fire.

PRELATES APPOINTED.

By United Press.
ROME, Dec. 1.—The pope has an-
nounced the appointment of the fol-
lowing: Monsignor Mundelein to be
archbishop of Chicago; Monsignor
Dougherty to be bishop of Buffalo;
Monsignor Brossart, bishop of Covin-
ton, Ky.

WEATHER ELSEWHERE.

Western Union reports received at
8 o'clock a. m.:
OKLAHOMA—Generally cloudy.
Temperature, 45 to 50 degrees.
TEXAS—Generally cloudy. Tem-
perature, 30 to 35 degrees. Rain at
Galveston. Threatening weather at
Lockhart.

SAYS COST OF SELLING IS TOO HIGH

Better Methods of Marketing Urged
by Speaker at Third Day Ses-
sion of National Con-
ference

FARMER SHOULD SEEK LEGISLATION

National and State Action to Pro-
vide Rural Credit and Improve
Condition of Farm Ten-
ants is Advocated

By United Press.
CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 1.—Farmers of
the east are not getting what is com-
ing to them for milk, Mr. F. E. Wheeler,
Boston, secretary of the Massachusetts
board of agriculture, told the national
conference of marketing and farm
credits in its third day's session today.
Farmers are at the mercy of the big
dealers, who pay farmers what they
see fit, he said.

Cost of distribution of milk is too
high, he said. By co-operation and
better business methods, he main-
tained, this cost would be materially
reduced. People of the United States,
Wheeler said, should be taught to
drink more milk, as it is wholesome
food, that is cheap even at the present
price.

Only when the American farmer acts
for himself by advocating legislation,
to foster and provide new economic
machinery, will there be better mar-
keting conditions and adequate credit
facilities, according to David Lublin,
American delegate to the International
Institute of Agriculture at Rome,
today. In Germany, he said, the gov-
ernment advocated marketing legis-
lation, because the farmer was not
considered sufficiently progressive.
The result has been excellent eco-
nomic conditions, of which Germany
rightfully boasts, he claimed.

National and state legislation, to
provide the credit facilities which
would make it possible for tenant
farmer and farm laborer to acquire
farm land, was urged by John Lee
Coulter, dean of the college of agricul-
ture at West Virginia university. The
steps he would take to attain those
ends are:

An act of congress providing for a
complete scheme of farm land banks.
Legislative acts of various states
supplementing the national laws and
providing for state institutions to do
various phases of the mortgage busi-
ness which the national farm land
bank would not care to undertake.

Legislation by various states, sim-
plifying laws pertaining to titles,
deeds, foreclosures and exemptions.
An up-to-date bureau of farm lands,
with complete lists of farms for sale
and farms for rent, and all possible
details about these lands.

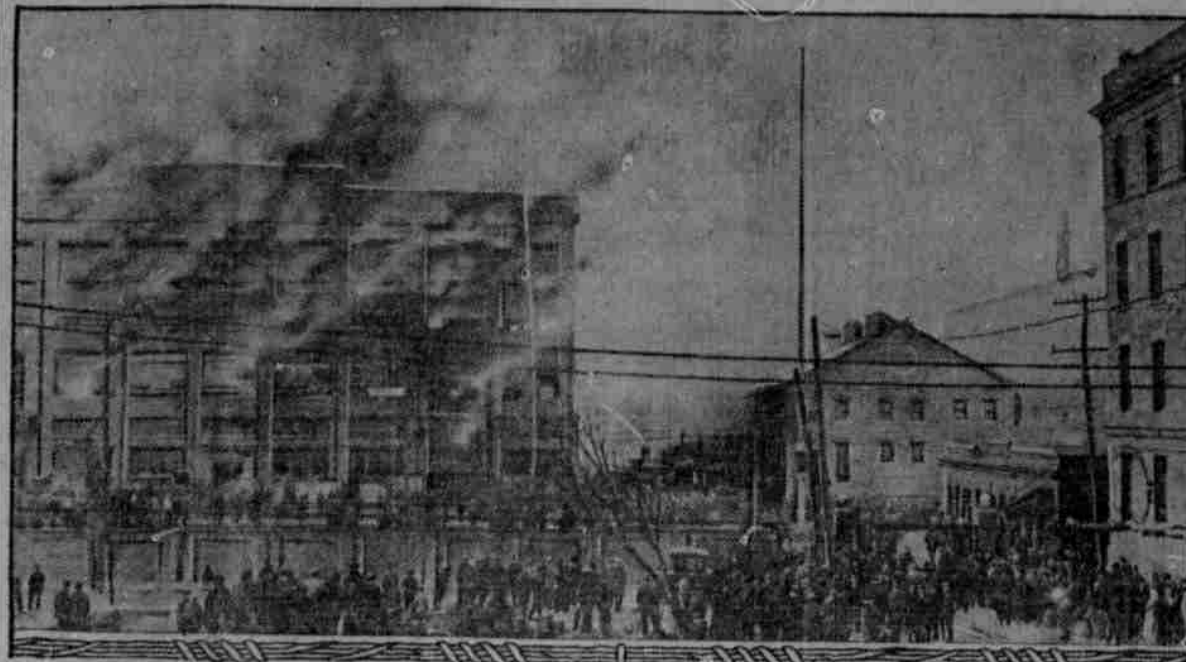
A thorough scheme of rural educa-
tion with country organization so pro-
vided that the country headquarters
would have a complete list and careful
rating of every farm operated within
the county.

Such state legislation as is a neces-
sity to take over by some public ser-
vice corporation, land not already de-
veloped—these lands to be developed,
parceled out and sold at advantageous
terms to select farmers who do not
own any land, but who are seeking to
become permanent settlers, living
upon and operating their own farms.

Team work by existing marketing
agencies, was urged as the solution of
the marketing problems, by George P.
Hampton, Washington, secretary of
the national marketing committee.
Better banking facilities, lower rates
of interest, more efficient transporta-
tion, at lower freight rates, and better
merchandising were some of the
things he suggested for reform. The
banker, merchant and railroad man
are up against marketing the crops,
he said. These agencies, he claimed,
have been "going it alone," to secure
the ends that would better be secured
through team work.

Pres. W. Davis, commissioner of ag-
riculture in Texas, told last night how
the state warehouse commission law
permitted the farmer to hold his cotton
for prices that suited him, raising nec-
essary money on his warehouse re-
ceipts. State colonization was urged
by Harris Weinstock, banker and

GREAT FIRE IN BETHLEHEM STEEL PLANT



Photograph taken during the progress of the conflagration in the Bethlehem Steel company plant at South Beth-
lehem, Pa. The machine shop was destroyed, together with much valuable machinery and hundreds of large and
small guns in process of manufacture for the United States and the allies, the loss running up probably to \$3,000,000.

PRELATE'S PRESENCE A FEELER?

Visit of Cologne Cardinal to Rome
and Absence of Belgian Church
Dignitary Connected with
German Peace Move

By United Press.
ROME, December 1.—A subtle po-
litical battle is seen here in connection
with the presence of Cardinal Hart-
man of Cologne, Germany, and the ab-
sence of Cardinal Mercier of Brussels,
on the eve of the forthcoming consis-
tory.

Germany is said to realize the im-
portance of personal representation of
the German viewpoint in the various
war issues that are before the pope.

Cardinal Hartman has already dis-
patched a number of messages to
Berlin, believed to relate to prospects
that the pope will aid in ending the
war.

Fearing the effects of reports that
Cardinal Mercier of Belgium might
make, Germany insisted that the latter
travel to Rome through German terri-
tory. Mercier, however, refused to go
any other way than through France.
Cardinal Hartman's presence here is
regarded as a peace feeler on the part
of Germany.

COLLECTS INSURANCE

Leonard Hawn yesterday afternoon
received a check from the Continental
insurance company for \$1,000 in full
payment of the death claim of Christ
Jungquest, accidentally killed in
Chickasha the latter part of Septem-
ber. Jungquest, an employe of the
Rock Island, with no relatives in this
country carried this policy payable to
his state. He was a member of the
Masonic fraternity, his membership at
Granite. At the request of the lodge
to which he belonged during his life the
estate in hands and Eugene Hamilton
and a number of other members asked
that Leonard Hawn be appointed ad-
ministrator. This was done and all
matters filed for probate. On the fif-
teenth of this month, November, Mr.
Hawn notified the insurance company
of the death, sending proof of death
with the notification, and yesterday's
afternoon mail brought the check. Mr.
Hawn and other Masons are trying to
locate Jungquest's next of kin, who are
known to reside in Sweden.

member of the United States indus-
trial relations commission, last night.
Charles A. Lyman, president of the
Wisconsin society of equity, described
agricultural co-operative marketing in
Wisconsin. The producer himself is
responsible for losses in shipping and
standards in quality and packing
should be enforced, R. W. Hockaday,
industrial and agricultural agent for
the M. K. & T. said.

PRESIDENT PUTS LID ON "PORK BARREL."

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—
President Wilson today told
Congressman Sparkman of
Florida, chairman of the rivers
and harbors committee, that he
would not sanction any new
rivers and harbors legislation
and that appropriations of this
nature must be cut to the
bone at the coming session of
congress.

SAY VILLA DRIVEN TO INSANITY

By United Press.
DOUGLAS, Ariz., Dec. 1.—General
Obregon today received reports at No-
gales, Sonora, saying that Villa, driven
insane by his defeats, is wandering
alone in northern Mexico.

Villa disappeared after losing one
thousand men killed, wounded and
prisoners in the fighting at Hermo-
sillo. Villista soldiers captured say
they have not seen their chief for sev-
eral days.

Villa's forces are reported to be
breaking up into small bands. The
Villista general Rodriguez captured
the Nacosari railroad, laying Agua
Prieta open to attack. If he gains
possession of the town, the border sit-
uation will again become acute.

MEN STILL ENTOMBED

By United Press.
CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 1.—Be-
tween fifty and sixty men, all of whom
may be dead, are still in No. 2 mine
of the Boomer Coke & Coal company
at Boomer where a powder blast set
fire to gasses late yesterday afternoon.
The list of known dead in the dis-
aster has already reached twenty-nine.
The mine was officially reported safe
a few days ago.

FORD CABLES POPE.

By United Press.
NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Henry Ford
today cabled the pope an outline of
his peace plan, asking the good will
and co-operation of the vatican in car-
rying it out.

WEATHER FORECAST.

For Oklahoma.
Tonight, fair and colder, freezing
with temperature, 22 to 28 degrees.
Tuesday warmer in west portion.

Local Temperature.

During the twenty-four hours ending
at 8 o'clock a. m.:
Maximum, 61 degrees.
Minimum, 33 degrees.

PLANTS OF POWDER CO. PROTECTED

Guards are Doubled While State
and Federal Officials Probe
Mysterious Explosion;
Eighth of Kind

By United Press.
WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 1.—
Double guards have been placed
around the mills of the Dupont Powder
company here, while state and federal
officials are investigating the explo-
sion in the Upper Hagely yard late
yesterday, which resulted in the death
of thirty-one persons and the injury of
many others.

Eight mysterious explosions have
occurred in the Dupont plants since
August, 1914. Thirty-eight persons
have been killed and at least a hun-
dred injured.

It was learned today that a warning
to workmen to quit the mills was
posted in January. It was first tacked
on nearby trees and fences and later
even within the yards.

Six of those injured in the explosion
yesterday will probably die. Of those
who were killed outright enough re-
mained of only one of the bodies to
permit identification.

Fire at the blending mill of the Du-
pont works at Carney's Point, N. J.,
did slight damage today. Nobody was
hurt.

Department Sends Agent.

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Assistant
Attorney General Warren announced
today that the department of justice
will send an agent to Wilmington to
investigate the powder mill explosion.

GOOD MOONLIGHT SCHOOL.

I. L. Wood, member of the board of
education of the rural school in the
Harris district, near Naples, was in
Chickasha this morning on business
with County Superintendent Shepard.
Mr. Wood stated that the school,
taught by C. A. Dearmon, is one of the
most successful in the county and said
further that Mr. Dearmon has one of
the leading moonlight schools, in point
of attendance and progress. Twenty-
five pupils, all grown men and women,
attend this moonlight school.

TO ASK FOR REQUISITION.

Allan K. Swan, assistant county at-
torney, left this morning for Oklahoma
City. Mr. Swan has gone to the state
capital to ask Governor Williams for a
requisition on Governor Ferguson of
Texas for the return to Oklahoma of
A. L. May, supposed to be under arrest
at Memphis. May is wanted in Grady
county for removing mortgaged prop-
erty from the county and afterward
disposing of the same.

BUSY MONTH IN COURT.

November, just passed, has been a
busy month in district court circles.
During the month 29 civil suits were
filed, seven of these for divorce. The
marriage license market was reason-
ably busy throughout the month, twen-
ty-four happiness permits having been
issued.

MOBILIZE TO MARCH ON MR. BOB

Quail Season Officially Open for
Thirty Days and Many Mighty
Hunters Prepare to Make
War on Birds

UNUSUALLY LARGE CROP IS REPORTED

Legal Lights Little Delayed by
Cruel Court But Will Invade
Wilds Northwest Early
Next Week

By GEORGE H. WYATT.

The lid will be off for about thirty
days now, including today. The lid
on quail, that is. And the nimrods of
Chickasha. Oh, those nimrods! How
they'll gather round the better and
how they will disturb the quiet atmos-
phere and how they'll sprinkle the
scenery with shot. And they'll get the
same, too. Some birds—a Rock Island
Red, or so; some more birds—a fine
Jersey calf now and then; still some
birds and an occasional Duroc Jersey
shout; and yet some more birds and
a few tame turkeys; another bird now
and then and a few festive bull calves.
At least that is the way—judging
from past experiences, maybe—that
Bert Barefoot announces the program
as it will be rendered from this time
until good old Saint Nicholas har-
nesses his reindeer to the Christmas
sledges.

Mr. Barefoot believes in doing his
shopping early. In the open game
season. With this end in view he
usually leaves Chickasha just a little
bit before 12:01 o'clock on the morn-
ing the lid is lifted. Sometimes, un-
kind critics aver he leaves three or
four days ahead in order to get the
cream before other hunters scare the
birds out of this section of Oklahoma
with their indiscriminate noise and
firing and banging away. This time,
unfortunately "however," a hard-
hearted county judge has set several
cases in which Mr. Barefoot and sev-
eral other local legal luminaries are
detained—get that word, it was used
with criminal aforethought in this in-
stance—as counsel. This will necessi-
tate the disciples of Blackstone and
Coke and Lyttleton and Kent to defer
their trip until next Monday, Decem-
ber 6.

The party which Mr. Barefoot will
chaperone will include in its personnel
such distinguished followers of nimrod
as Judge Will Linn, D. M. Caviness,
Will Melton, R. Bond, Oscar Simpson
—provided he secures a hair cut (Bare-
foot and Caviness authorities for this
statement)—Ben F. Johnson, F. L.
Slusher—these two last named gen-
tlemen being bankers and not attorneys
are added to the list for financial rea-
sons—and several others.

With the above-named aggregation
of lawyers, and so forth, will go a full
camping equipment to the wilds in the
extreme northwestern section of
Grady county. This equipment will
include a rain-dew-air proof series of
tents of differential dimensions, a
portable cook stove, some tin dishes
and tin cups, some salt and a little
pepper, some flour, no meats of any
kind, some other camping "impedi-
ment" and a "cuddled gentleman who
used to cook away back yander in de
days before de civil wuh."

Mr. Barefoot stated that this whole
county seemed alive with birds. The
grass, he said, was full of them, the
sage brush was literally loaded down
and broken off with the weight of the
numberless birds which roosted
therein. When asked if it was really a
fact that sagebrush abounded and
flourished and grew and waxed fat in
this portion of the prohibition center
of the universe, Mr. Barefoot alleged
on his word of honor as a gentleman
and a scholar that he did not know,
but if it didn't it was the only thing
that did not grow out of and from and
in the fertile soil of Grady county.

At any rate it was stated that there
would be birds thicker than book
agents in the land of perennial
warmth. Mr. Barefoot said they were
so thick that when scared up in
flocks and coveys and doves from
the face of the earth, they flew in
such numbers that their wings rustled

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